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3 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
4 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
5 AT SEATTLE

6 VERASONICS, INC.,

7 Plaintiff,

8 v.

9 SUPERSONIC IMAGINE, S.A.,

10 Defendant.

C17-1764 TSZ

MINUTE ORDER

11 The following Minute Order is made by direction of the Court, the Honorable  
12 Thomas S. Zilly, United States District Judge:

13 (1) At the scheduling conference set for May 4, 2018, at 11:00 a.m., counsel  
14 shall be prepared to present oral argument on defendant's pending motion to dismiss,  
15 docket no. 27. Counsel shall also be prepared to address, in addition to the matters  
16 outlined in the Joint Status Report, docket no. 32, the following issues: (i) what, if any,  
17 discovery plaintiff believes is necessary before it makes the disclosure required by Local  
18 Patent Rule 120; (ii) how much time such discovery is anticipated to take; (iii) whether  
19 plaintiff is entitled to obtain such discovery; (iv) whether a *Markman* hearing will be  
20 needed or whether claim construction can be accomplished on the briefing; and  
21 (v) whether the parties should be required to share the expense of a Rule 706 expert who  
22 will assist the Court throughout the duration of this matter.

23 (2) The Clerk is directed to send a copy of this Minute Order to all counsel of  
record.

Dated this 2nd day of May, 2018.

William M. McCool  
Clerk

s/Karen Dews  
Deputy Clerk